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Gary Pipe kicked crack 11 years ago after adopting his loyal dog, Kolby. KATE WEBB/METRO

Addict kicks crack habit for the love of dog

DTES. Deciding between his pet and his drug was an easy choice for Gary Pipe

Gary Pipe was a Downtown Eastside crack addict who had just gotten out of a recovery house in 2002 when he met Kolby, a sweet and sensitive two-year-old German shepherd, golden-lab-retriever cross.

Kolby's owner at the time was Jenny Konkin, the granddaughter of the owner of the single-resident-occupancy Avalon Hotel where Pipe was renting a room.

Every day Konkin's parents brought Kolby to the hotel to visit the residents, many of whom struggled with mental illness, addictions and low income.

"Jenny's mother gave him to me to take care of," recalled Pipe, now 65, "and I got so attached to him I just said, 'Well, you've either got to take him back or give him to me, because I'm getting too attached to him.'"

Konkin said it was an easy decision to give Kolby to Pipe, who found so much joy in her dog.

Pipe had already kicked heroin and painkiller addictions that had plagued him for more than 25 years, but before long he realized the crack he was still smoking was making Kolby sick.

"Kolby would either throw up or he'd want out of the room, so I knew if I kept smoking I was going to lose him," Pipe said. "So I just quit smoking it."

Pipe started using the money he was saving on crack to feed Kolby a steak for dinner every night — a treat the spoiled 13-year-old pooch still enjoys today.

"He eats steak and I eat Chunky soup," Pipe said with a chuckle.

Pipe's story is somewhat unique, but he is not alone. Studies have shown that drug addicts who are offered animal-assisted therapy are more likely to benefit from treatment, have higher retention rates, and less frequent episodes of drug and alcohol relapse. KATE WEBB/METRO

Want to help?

Konkin, who now manages the Avalon Hotel, said she would love to hear from any dog owners who want to bring their pets down for regular visits in hopes of unleashing more stories like Pipe's. To get in touch, visit wholewayhouse.ca.

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Science fair.
B.C. teen wins big at Google competition

A 15-year-old Victoria student who invented a flashlight powered by body heat is one of the big winners at Google's annual international science fair.

Ann Makosinski won in the 15-16 age category, beating out thousands of other budding young scientists from around the world to be one of four winners.

The "Hollow Flashlight" runs off the heat from the palm of the hand, generating electricity from the heat flowing between the palm on one side and the ambient air on the other.

"I chose to investigate the aspect of human energy when I found out that we are like walking 100-watt light bulbs. The goal of my project became a flashlight powered solely from the heat of the human hand," Makosinski told the judges.

Makosinski was inspired by her visits to small villages in the Philippines, where she said many kids don't have electricity for lights that would let them study at home.

She said in a video posted on the science-fair website that she also wanted to reduce the number of batteries being discarded into the environment.

She used devices that produce electricity when one side is heated and the other cooled.

"I made two flashlights that do not use any batteries, toxic chemicals or kinetic energy. They do not create any noise or vibrations and will always work," she said.

"The flashlight's only limitation is its need for at least a 5 C temperature difference."

The Grade 10 student at St. Michael's University in Victoria said she would like to explore more ways to use the technology to reduce battery use, including possibly in medical devices.

She told the judges that her first toy was a box of transistors. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Vancouver Not Vegas organizer Sandy Garossino reacts to news that Paragon Gaming is reviving its failed mega-casino bid at BC Place. MATT KIELTYKA/METRO

Mega-casino or 'urban resort'?

Rebranding. New plan of controversial site does not include expanded gaming, but critics fear it's not far behind

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After its "mega-casino" was unanimously shot down by Vancouver city council in 2011, Paragon Development Ltd. is back with a new proposal for an entertainment centre adjacent to BC Place.

Paragon announced Tuesday it has partnered with 360 VOX Corporation and Dundee Corporation to design, develop and operate a $535-million "world-class urban resort" featuring two luxury hotels, conference centre, restaurants, retail space and a relocated Edgewater Casino.

Unlike Paragon's original vision for the site, the proposal adheres to the city's moratorium on gaming expansion and does not include plans to increase the Edgewater's current allotment of 65 game tables and 493 slot machines.

The 675,000-square-foot development also already complies with city zoning, and Paragon and PavCo reached a new Master Development Agreement in March outlining a 70-year lease on the provincially owned lands around BC Place.

The development, slated to open in late 2016, still requires regulatory approval from the city.

Outspoken critics to the casino were not surprised by the announcement — as the city encouraged Paragon to re-apply without an expanded casino when they first rejected the plans — but are wary of the developer's intentions.

Quoted

"I think it's very clear there must be a plan at some point in the future to shoehorn those slot machines and gaming tables."

Vancouver Not Vegas organizer Sandy Garossino

"It was just over two years ago that the entire city stood up and with one voice rejected a mega-casino complex," said Vancouver Not Vegas organizer Sandy Garossino. "Once again there has been no transparency, no disclosure, no public consultation of a massive casino project."

Garossino said Paragon has not revealed how much floor space will be devoted to the casino, and fears the complex has plenty of room for future gaming expansion.

Paragon itself has warned in the past — while advocating for its original plan — that the project would not be feasible without an expanded casino.

"How is this operation going to pay for the massive construction and still provide a return to the people of Vancouver (without gaming expansion)?" Garossino asked.

While councillor Kerry Jang confirmed the new plan doesn't propose an expanded casino — the city's main concern — he said, "nothing is a done deal."

Jang said the developer will have to go through a new application process with the city, where it will once again go up for public input and council consideration.

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Media access. Vancouver to study best practices

Reporters and citizens who feel city hall just isn't communicating the way it used to may soon get a more open channel.

City council passed a motion Tuesday asking staff to study best media-relations practices and develop a clear and concise policy around responding to media.

It will also look at ways to control costs in the expanding communications department and develop policy regarding councillors criticizing staff in the media.

Coun. George Affleck put forward the motion due to concern from reporters that they can no longer access staff easily (reporters must go through a variety of city communications people first) and from citizens frustrated with the community consultation process.

In an unusual show of solidarity, both Vision Vancouver and Green Party councillors supported the NPA motion.

EMILY JACKSON/METRO

Wanted: NDP leader

Cullen cold on B.C. leadership run

Nathan Cullen says he's cool to the idea of running for the leadership of the British Columbia NDP. But the federal MP isn't entirely ruling it out. Cullen, who serves as NDP Leader Tom Mulcair's House leader in Parliament, says there's a 15 to 20 per cent chance he'll move to the provincial arena. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Master plans

Communities rally at city hall

Hundreds of Vancouverites upset with the city's community planning process were expected to rally at city hall Tuesday. Residents from Marpole, Grandview-Woodland, the Downtown Eastside and the West End are angry about attempts to create master plans for their neighbourhoods.

EMILY JACKSON/METRO

Hollywood Theatre: From church to fitness centre

Kitsilano's Hollywood Theatre, which currently operates as a church, is set to be redeveloped into a fitness centre. JENNIFER GAUTHIER/METRO FILE

Kitsilano. Sunday services to continue for a few more weeks

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The curtain is closing on yet another era for Kitsilano's Hollywood Theatre as its new owner prepares to evict the tenants — a Pentecostal church — to make way for a fitness centre.

A development permit application was submitted on Sept. 5 to turn what was once a 651-seat, single-screen theatre at 3123 West Broadway into a two-storey fitness centre, according to the city.

When the original owners sold the heritage building to Bonnis Properties in 2011, it was speculated the theatre would be turned into condos or retail much like the Ridge Theatre or the Denman Cinemas.

Yet it temporarily escaped that fate when the church rented the 78-year-old space in Sept. 15, 2012.

A team of 60 volunteers spent five Saturdays restringing crystal chandeliers, scrubbing the red seats and vacuuming cobwebs from the ceiling to get the building ready for use, Church at the Hollywood spokeswoman Sarah Kift said Tuesday.

But last week, the owner gave the church notice its month-to-month lease will be cancelled and the church must leave by Nov. 30.

"I was sad … but we knew this could be a possibility that there'd be something different happening with the Hollywood," Kift said, adding the owner rented the space at a "generous" rate.

People constantly stopped by to share memories about the theatre, she said.

"It's a place to celebrate arts and culture and celebrate an experience together. It's a place where doors are open to all," Kift said.

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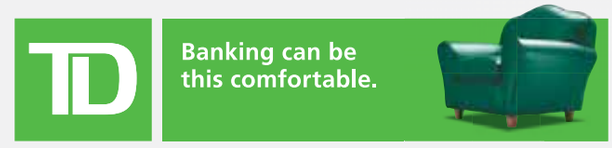

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Teacher takes wrong turn, runs marathon

Meredith Fitzmaurice
COURTESY MEREDITH FITZMAURICE

I'll just run with it. 34-year-old teacher starts the half-race, ends up the first woman to complete the full race

LUKE SIMCOE
Metro Online

Meredith Fitzmaurice celebrated her win at Sunday's Run for Heroes Marathon in Amherstburg, Ont., despite not having entered the race.

The runner from Belle River, Ont., had signed up for the 21.1-kilometre half marathon, but after a wrong turn landed her on the full marathon course, she just kept going.

"As I was looking at my watch, I was thinking something's wrong. Where's the finish line?" she said.

After realizing her mistake, the 34-year-old teacher checked with a race official to see if she would be eligible to finish.

"The guy was awesome," she said. "And once he said I was good to go, my adrenaline just kicked in."

In the end, Fitzmaurice finished her very first marathon with a time of 3:11:48. She was the first woman to cross the finish line and 10th overall.

"I didn't even realize I was the first female until people started yelling at me and high-fiving me," she said. "Once I crossed the finish line and realized the magnitude of what I had done, I started crying."

Just do it

"And once he said I was good to go, my adrenaline just kicked in."

Meredith Fitzmaurice, after accidentally winning her first marathon

Edmonton

Police suspect teens overdosed on synthetic marijuana

Two Edmonton-area teenagers are in hospital after overdosing on what is believed to be a designer drug that federal health authorities have warned can potentially kill.

RCMP say they got word Monday afternoon about a 14-year-old boy in St. Albert having seizures in a back alley.

A 16-year-old boy was later reported to be in medical distress at a school parking lot in the city.

The younger teen remains unconscious while the older boy is awake and in stable condition.

Police think the pair used synthetic marijuana, known as K2 or Spice, which Health Canada said in July could trigger a range of traumatic effects that may lead to death.

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Putin supporters face anger

A protester demonstrates in front of the Metropolitan Opera at Lincoln Center Monday in New York, where the Met held its season-opening gala featuring Anna Netrebko and Valery Gergiev, two longtime supporters of Russian President Vladimir Putin,who has upheld anti-gay laws passed by the Russian legislature. JAMES WAGNER/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

This little Piggy went to the Smithsonian. Kermit's girlfriend joins him in D.C.

Miss Piggy is finally joining her love, Kermit the Frog, in the Smithsonian Institution's collection of Jim Henson's Muppets, and Bert and Ernie will have a place in history, too.

The newest donation from the Henson family includes Miss Piggy, Fozzie Bear, Scooter and the Swedish Chef from The Muppet Show. Muppets from Sesame Street joining the collection include Bert and Ernie, Elmo, Cookie Monster, Grover and Count Von Count.

Miss Piggy is dressed up during a ceremony in Washington Tuesday.
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Too distraught to even weep: Relatives of a victim of the Kenyan mall massacre comfort each other after they identify his body at the Nairobi city morgue on Tuesday. JEROME DELAY/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Cold-blooded mall tweets unleashed

Atrocity in Kenya. As bodies piled up and a nation reeled in shock, mass killers took to Twitter to mock and threaten more horror

As the deadly attack unfolded inside Kenya's Westgate mall, the invading terrorists were callously spreading mayhem on Twitter.

They sent out tweet after cruel tweet, taunting the Kenyan military, defending the mass killings and threatening more bloodshed.

Twitter shut the account down five times. But each time the terror organization al-Shabab started a new feed.

The sixth account was a post Tuesday linking to a photo that purported to show two of the attackers "unruffled and strolling around the mall in such sangfroid manner."

The tweet mocked Kenya's security forces for their repeated assurances over two days — also tweeted — that the siege was nearly over.

It wasn't the first time al-Shabab has live-tweeted a terrorist attack, said J.M. Berger, a U.S.-based terrorism analyst who monitors the group's online presence.

The militants offered comments in real time or nearly so in recent attacks in Mogadishu and the attempted assassination of the Somali president.

But the drawn-out Kenya attack, which left at least dozens dead, brought the group to a much wider stage, amplified by its social-media savvy.

"The person who runs their Twitter account has obviously invested a lot of energy in the process of grabbing headlines," said Berger, who has called out al-Shabab before for violating Twitter's terms of service.

He did so again after the attack began on Saturday, announced by gunshots, grenades and the group's hashtag, #Westgate. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Massacre

President reports death toll

Kenya's president proclaimed victory Tuesday over the terrorists who stormed a Nairobi mall and unleashed a deadly spree of mass killings in a bloody four-day siege.

Security forces had "ashamed and defeated our attackers," President Uhuru Kenyatta said.

He said the dead included 61 civilians whose bodies have been recovered so far and six people from the security force. Some 175 were injured, Kenyatta said.

But it seemed certain the number of confirmed deaths would rise as security forces searched the building. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Earthquake rocks Pakistan

Breaking the news: A woman takes to her cellphone after rushing from her apartment after the quake hit. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Thousands of Pakistanis ran into the streets praying for their lives Tuesday as a powerful earthquake rocked a remote area in the southwest.

The quake killed at least 39 people and possibly created a small island off the coast, officials said.

The Pakistani military said it was rushing troops and helicopters to Baluchistan province's Awaran district, where the quake was centred, and the nearby area of Khuzdar.

Local officials said they were sending doctors, food and 1,000 tents for people who had nowhere to sleep as strong aftershocks continued to shake the region.

Most of the victims were killed when their houses collapsed, according to the chief spokesperson for the country's National Disaster Management Authority, Mirza Kamran Zia.

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Need to build a country? Google has you covered

Politics. Metro talks to product manager Sara (Scout) Sinclair Brody about a new database of founding documents

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Metro World News

Not content with its recent announcement of a life-extension clinic, Google has unveiled a program to help nations create constitutions. Constitute provides a database of every founding document and amendment across the world since 1789, broken down into topics for ease of reference. It has been endorsed by heads of state from Tunisia and Kyrgyzstan, and Sara (Scout) Sinclair Brody, Google Ideas product manager, says there is no catch.

How would you describe this service?

The home page of Google's Constitute project, constituteproject.org. SCREENGRAB

It's a tool, and a repository. It allows people to search and compare constitutions.

Are you responding to a demand for this?
There is a specific demand, uncovered by our partners at the Comparative Constitutions Project, who have been helping countries draft constitutions for years. They built a library and used to drag it around, and then used documents in the digital age. But we were able to get it all online with tags for each topic and a beautiful interface.

Should Google really be involved in the formation of nations, particularly those in crisis?
Some people think it's surprising — but they should realize this is a tool for providing information, rather than seeking to have an influence.

Fast food

Crinkle-cut fry chops out some of the fat, BK says

Burger King Canada is introducing a new crinkle-cut french fry on Wednesday that it says is less fattening than regular fries. Gratifries have six grams of fat and 145 calories per 70-gram serving, compared to 11 grams of fat and 222 calories of other leading fast-food fries, the chain says. A free-sampling promotion will begin next month. METRO

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CAPTAIN KIRK AFRAID TO FLY?

JUST SAYIN'

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The imaginations of multiple generations have been fired by that statement, first uttered by Captain James T. Kirk, a.k.a. Canadian-born actor William Shatner, on the opening episode of Star Trek in 1966. Shatner has been succeeded by a gallery of Star Trek captains, but when most of us think about boldly going etc., we think of William Shatner.

Which is why it's more than a let-down to learn that Shatner, now 83, has refused an invitation from Sir Richard Branson to be on the first voyage of the Virgin Galactic space ship, scheduled to lift off on Christmas Day.

I mean, come on, Jim — I mean Bill — it's hardly a five-year mission, just a short, two-hour jaunt, and it's not going very far: 100 kilometres above the Earth, generally recognized as the border between our planet's atmosphere and space. It's the space travel equivalent of taking the stairs from the parking garage instead of the elevator.

Nonetheless, Kirk — I mean Shatner — isn't biting. That is unless Branson offers to pay his way, and can guarantee a safe return. Branson isn't taking any of this well and has accused the Captain of the Starship Enterprise of being afraid to fly.

That's like saying Spiderman is afraid to hang off the sides of buildings.

I guess it's a compliment to Shatner that we still confuse an overweight octogenarian with a fantasy hero from a science-fiction future.

With him at the helm of the Enterprise at the onset of the voyage, Star Trek has grown to become more than an entertainment. It's our imaginative bridge to real space exploration, making the whole idea viable in the minds of trekkies everywhere — including engineers, astrophysicists, politicians, Metro columnists — influential people who prevent space travel from being written off as an inexcusably expensive luxury at a time when California, the most populous state in the U.S. and home of much of the space-flight industry, is on the verge of bankruptcy.

If we had any sense, we'd stop thinking about revisiting the moon or going to Mars, never mind trying to get to the moons of Saturn, or out of the solar system altogether and into strange new precincts of the galaxy. But staying home and sticking to your knitting is hardly inspiring.

Which is why Shatner's uncharacteristic lack of enthusiasm for a token space ride is so disappointing. He should know too that he's passing up the chance to travel with Justin Bieber and Ashton Kutcher, along with Mila Kunis, Leonardo DiCaprio and Russell Brand.

On the other hand, maybe you can't blame him. Not sure I'd boldly go to a mall opening with that crowd.

ZOOM

Blazing saddles ignite relief

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Bikers amaze by riding across fire

They have just ridden the fiery apocalypse and come out alive. Two riders from the Findon Skid Kids, a cycle speedway club in the southern Australian city of Adelaide, safely emerge from a blazing-fire stunt jump, with hundreds of fans cheering in joy and relief. METRO

Hot hot heat

"We couldn't can it after 55 years. It is a tradition that is part of this club. Had the conditions been different — if it was windy — we probably wouldn't have done it."

Allan Staunton,
Findon Skid Kids president

Failed jump had left riders badly hurt

Six months ago, the Findon Skid Kids' time-honoured stunt ended in disaster after three teens were hospitalized with severe burns. The flaming cardboard the riders jumped through failed to break up as planned and instead stuck to the riders. METRO

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Sure, there's an appeal to subscribing to services like Sirius or Rdio, but the abundance of free streaming platforms has kept me from taking the plunge. Soundcloud is easily where I spend most of my streaming hours. Here's three of my favourite accounts to get you started.

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Deep and Disco

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Modular People

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Letters

Youth suicide is very pressing issue. A solution is to help the children openly express their emotions.

With this is mind, a Toronto hospital recently launched a new program: an interactive video game.

This cannot be a solution, especially directed to the young audience. Even with parental monitoring, youth in today's generation are playing hours a day. If instead, the children are encouraged to play video games, problems will start to arise.

After realizing that video games are completely permissible, children will start to expand their gaming territory to other video games and genres. Before you know it, they are attached to the television with a pair of headphones, and a controller glued to their hands.

Although suicidal thoughts are set aside because of the new addiction, results of addictive video gaming include neglected academic progress, bad influences, and social isolation, studies suggest.

An alternative like video games is not the answer. Parents should be spending more time with their children. Simply put, parents are the most important people in a child's life.

Janet Li,
Mississauga, Ont.

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SCENE 2

Scarlett Johansson doesn't care about your love life

Interview. The Don Jon star talks about image, the Internet and having a private life away from stardom

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Joseph Gordon-Levitt, left, and Scarlett Johansson star in Don Jon. CONTRIBUTED

Don Jon writer-director-star Joseph Gordon-Levitt says he wanted Scarlett Johansson as his co-star in part because she herself has been a victim of a certain amount of objectification within pop culture.

But while Johansson is happy for the implied compliment, she doesn't think she's all that special.

"I think that sure, I've been a victim, if you want to say, of that as much as anybody else. I don't feel particularly affected by that more so than any other person in the spotlight, I guess," she says.

"But I think it's something that I've used — my own status as a sexiest whatever you want to call it or whatever it is, a label you want to put on it — I've been able to use to my advantage while trying to avoid getting pigeonholed as much as possible. I don't want the work that I do to feel like a reaction to the fact that I'm trying to get away from that."

Speaking of getting away from that, Johansson keeps away from the vast swaths of Internet devoted to her beauty and private life.

"I stopped my Googling myself," she admits. "Nothing good ever comes out of it. It's best to avoid it. Gives you an inflated idea of yourself, as well. You suddenly feel like everybody's paying attention to you all the time."

Of course, in her case she might be right — even if the idea still strikes her as odd.

"The other thing is, why do you care? You don't know me," she says. "It always makes me wonder why anybody cares. I don't particularly care to know how any person I don't know, about their romantic life. I mean, I guess we're all nosy in some way, but it's something that seems unrelated in my mind. I mean, I know people like celebrities and maybe that gives them something to dream about. I don't know."

That's not to say Johansson wants any of that content eradicated — or even regulated in any way.

"There are no rules; that's the Internet. There's no rules. You can't impose them, then we'd be living in China," she says.

"If you want to have a free country or whatever, you can't impose any regulations on the Internet."

In control

What she really wants to do is direct. And it might not be far behind.

- **Taking the chair.** While pal Joseph Gordon-Levitt might have beat her to the director's chair with Don Jon, Scarlett Johansson won't be far behind. "I'm actually directing a film next summer, which is an adaptation of a (Truman) Capote novella called Summer Crossing," she says. "It's something I've been working on for what feels like forever. It's been about six years, and we're finally going to do it."

Quick interview

Danza talking about Don Jon

A few weeks ago, Taxi turned 35. That and Who's the Boss? are what Tony Danza is best known for — but he's always been busy. The one-time boxer who stumbled into acting is now back in a medium that hasn't always treated him well — movies. Danza plays Joseph Gordon-Levitt's dad in Don Jon.

Your character in Don Jon isn't very redemptive.
He's not redemptive at all. But everybody you play you love. Tommy Korman in Honeymoon in Vegas is a manipulator and not a nice guy, and at the end he actually gets rough. But I love him.

How was Joseph Gordon-Levitt as a first-time feature film director?
He's terrific. He wrote a movie that captures the culture of the minute and makes us laugh, and there's a message that — he's not proselytizing, but it's there. It's a cautionary tale; a comment on society. MATT PRIGGE/MWN

METRO DISH

OUR TAKE ON THE WORLD OF CELEBRITIES

The Word

It's Twerk Girl to the rescue

Do you think Miley Cyrus ever regrets becoming the poster child for twerking? I mean, she's clearly into it, but I bet everywhere she goes now, people are like, "Twerk, Miley, twerk! Twerk in this dry cleaners! Twerk in this hat!" and probably sometimes she is like "Sigh, not now, I am trying to enjoy this TED talk."

But she is Twerk Girl now. So she has to do it. That's probably how she ended up twerking with a monkey in a cowboy costume on her back, anyway.

Miley tweeted a photo of the simian pas de deux. It doesn't actually look like there's much twerking going on, since she's sprawled out on the floor, but the monkey does look terrified, so maybe there's more motion than I can see.

Miley also tweeted a photo of her humping a big furry muppet-looking gentleman, but that was just for fun I'm sure.

In any event, Miley has obviously learned nothing from her much-panned performance at the VMAs. In fact, it seems like our tsk-tsk-ing is only feeding the low-rent Gwen Stefani-wannabe beast. Case in point: she not only wore this outfit to the iHeartRadio Music Festival this weekend, but she also butt-slapped a twerking little person and sang into a banana microphone.

I mean, we already have one Ke$ha. Do we really need another?

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Nebraska (USA, 114 min.)
After receiving a sweepstakes letter in the mail, a cantankerous father (Bruce Dern, Best Actor winner at Cannes) thinks he's struck it rich, and wrangles his son (Will Forte, *Saturday Night Live*) into taking a road trip to claim the fortune. Shot in black and white across four states, *Nebraska* tells the stories of family life in the heartland of America.
Will Forte in attendance at Sep. 26 screening.
Thu. Sep 26, 6:45 pm, Centre for Arts
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Fanie Fourie's Lobola (South Africa, 96 min.)
When an Afrikaan man romances a Zulu woman, there's bound to be a price to pay. In the case of Fanie and Dinky, it's her dowry (known in South Africa as lobola). Cultures clash and sparks fly in Henk Pretorius' star-crossed romantic comedy. **Winner, Audience Award, Seattle 2013.**
Fri. Sep 27, 9:15 pm, Cinematheque
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Wed. Oct 9, 9:15 pm, Centre for Arts

Willow Creek (USA, 77 min.)
Having graphically depicted the ghastly behaviour we're capable of in his black comedies, maverick writer-director Bobcat Goldthwait now employs the found-footage horror genre to explore our enduring obsession with the sasquatch myth. As a couple strays off California's "Bigfoot Scenic Byway" and into the woods, *Willow Creek* transports us into a realm of primal terror.
Fri. Sep 27, 11:30 pm, Rio
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LIFE 3

The finer points of Great Britain

From the rugged coastline of rural Northern Wales to London and on to the resurgent merchant city of Glasgow, travel in Britain can be a fascinating and varied experience. After all, it's called Great Britain for a reason. "Transat Holidays Great Britain packages offer an array of rich experiences in London, Manchester and Glasgow," says Joseph Adamo, vice-president of marketing and e-commerce with Transat Tours Canada, which offers packages and up to six direct flights per week from Vancouver. But if you only have a couple of days, where should you go — England, Wales or Scotland? This sounds oddly like a competition — and competitions in this football (soccer)-mad island are best settled with points.

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London, England

Cool: Wimbledon tour and museum
Where: All England Club
Cost: $35
Website: wimbledon.com/museum
Points: 6/10

It is pretty impressive to walk through the gates and into the green, immaculately manicured heart of the planet's greatest tennis venue.

And, ignoring the dark day and the sputtering September rain, it's easy to imagine the 41-acre site overrun with tennis fans sipping Pimms and quaffing containers of strawberries and cream.

"Our goal is tennis in an English garden," says our guide, Ashley Jones, commercial manager for the Wimbledon Lawn Tennis Museum.

The tour leads visitors through the grounds, centre court and the press centre. For me, highlights included an almost complete lack of advertising (there are several Rolex branded clocks) and gardens awash with the Wimbledon green-and-purple colour scheme.

The museum, which opened in 2006, is full of bright interactive displays on the history and evolution of the sport from jeu de paume, played by monks in the 12th century.

Among the many tidbits I learned was that Spencer Gore, 27, winner of the first men's tournament in 1877, preferred cricket and predicted tennis would never catch on as a sport.

Eat: Not Afternoon Tea
Where: OXO Tower Brasserie
Cost: $70
Website: harveynichols.com/oxo-tower-london
Points: 7/10

Sometime between the Neopolitan Hotshot (strawberry foam, layered above white chocolate ganache and hot chocolate with chilies) and the Snozberry Slurp (it's blue, comes in a snifter and has cotton candy dangling from it) the giggles strike.

And they strike hard.

The Not Afternoon Tea experience at the OXO Tower Brasserie is a flight of Willy Wonka-inspired lunacy.

Atop the eighth floor of the OXO Tower (a former bouillon cube warehouse) with balcony views overlooking the slow-moving boats and brown water of the Thames we tuck into "meals" with names like Penny's Herb Garden and All Iced Up.

I chose Chocolate Bubbles.

Chocolate hazelnut macaroons filled with praline ganache is but one of the four creations, and they're all delicious. The meal comes paired with a fancy cocktail and box of truffles to take home.

It's only later, at say 3 a.m., when I'm bouncing off the walls like an over-caffeinated Oompa Loompa that the realization dawns that the (previously delicious) orgy of chocolate, booze and sugar may not be conducive to a sound night's sleep.

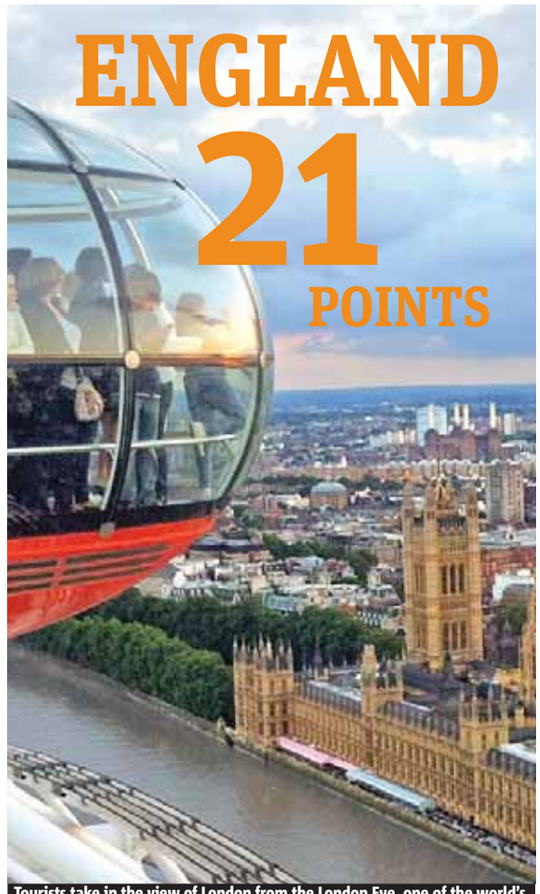
Sleep: Great Northern Hotel
Where: King's Cross St Pancras Station
Cost: From about $325/night
Website: gnhlondon.com
Points: 8/10

The recently renovated, boutique Great Northern Hotel oozes simple understated elegance and is located right in the bustling, pumping heart of London.

The rooms are small and modern, with high ceilings, gently curving corridors, and wrought iron staircases. The decor reflects the hotel's Victorian railway past.

For me, the best part was the pantry, located at the end of the corridor with complimentary Nespresso, biscuits and newspapers.

I made good use of it the frantic morning I slept through my alarm and wake-up call.



Tourists take in the view of London from the London Eye, one of the world's largest Ferris wheels. JEFF HODSON/METRO

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NORTH WALES 20 POINTS

A group scrambles along the schist on Holy Island in Northern Wales. CONTRIBUTED: MATT SHAW/SURF-LINES

North Wales

Cool: Coasteering
Where: Holy Island, off the northwest coast of the Isle of Anglesey in Northern Wales
Cost: $80
Website: surf-lines.co.uk
Points: 9/10

The collective giggle-shriek that erupts as our group plunges into the milky grey Irish Sea is pretty common, says Matt Shaw, our guide for the day. "That's typical of how we start," says the mountaineer, after all-is-said-and-done and the surging sea sits comfortably removed, beyond the undulating mosaic of lavender heather and yellow gorse of the coastal heath.

I don't know if I shrieked as the cool water seeped through my wetsuit, but I'd like to think I didn't. (If a man screams in the ocean and no one videos it, is it still embarrassing?)

Following the squawking start, we spend the next two hours, in helmets and life jackets, trailing Shaw — swimming, scrambling, climbing and traversing the folded grey schist and jumping from ledges into murky swells. That's what coasteering is all about.

It was fantastic fun; but fun tempered by a fear of slipping and smashing my face on the rocks. The worst injuries, however, were only small cuts on my hands and ankles and small bruises that materialized in random spots.

Shaw, who has been coasteering for 13 years, claims a "clean sheet" when it comes to injuries, aside from the odd scrape and sprain. Before stepping into that too tight and clammy wetsuit, I'd never heard of coasteering. This seems to shock Shaw. "I think it's growing in popularity," says the Welshman.

Eat: The Brasserie at Ye Old Bull's Head
Where: Beaumaris, Isle of Anglesey
Cost: $25
Website: bullsheadinn.co.uk
Points: 6/10

The Inn, built in 1472 (and rebuilt in 1617), boasts the largest hinged door in the U.K. — a sure draw for fans of large hinged doors (all three of you).

I stopped here for lunch and had the lamb. It was fine. The beer was good, the dinning area well lit and pleasant.

The freehouse bar, which I ducked into briefly, is the real star. Above the paid carpet, the yellow plaster walls lean drunkenly. Dr. Samuel Johnson stayed here; as did a journalist named Charles Dickens who came to Beaumaris in 1859 to write about the sinking of a ship, the Royal Charter. The hotel received mention in one of his short stories.

Stay: Celtic Royal Hotel
Where: Caernarfon, northern Wales
Cost: $175/night
Website: celtic-royal.co.uk
Points: 5/10

The Celtic Royal Hotel in the Welsh city of Caernarfon dates back to 1794 (part of it, anyway). Queen Victoria stayed here in 1832 — I was a tad worried she might still be hanging around. I kid, but the hotel, with its high ceiling and rolling floors, is a little outdated (refurbished last in 1997) and is due for an update. But it's clean and pleasant and is a short walk to the Caernarfon Castle.

Glasgow, Scotland: 22 points

Cool: The Sir Chris Hoy Velodrome
Where: Glasgow
Cost: $16, includes bike rental, helmet and shoes
Website: emiratesarena.co.uk/velodrome
Points: 8/10

Puttering (in my mind I'm soaring) around the recently opened Sir Chris Hoy Velodrome in Glasgow's East End, the freakiest thing is not the banked 42-degree sidewall.

It's the fact you can't coast.

If you stop pedalling — even for an instant — the pedals to which you've so wisely attached to your feet whip your legs around like cooked spaghetti.

It's unnerving.

"It's a massive success," Gordon Arthur, chief communications officer for the 2014 Commonwealth Games in Glasgow, says of the velodrome. "It is genuinely available to anyone."

Opened in October 2012 as a venue for next summer's Commonwealth Games, the velodrome is indeed open to Joe MacPublic, with bikes and instructors available to get you up and zipping.

Eat: Two Fat Ladies at the Buttery
Where: Glasgow
Cost: $35
Website: twofatladiesrestaurant.com/buttery
Points: 7/10

The Buttery, the second oldest restaurant building in Glasgow, was taken over by The Two Fat Ladies chain in 2007. It's comfortable, subtly quirky and the food is excellent.

Stay: The Arthouse
Where: Glasgow
Cost: $150
Website: thearthouseglasgow.co.uk
Points: 7/10

The exposed coppery cage of the antique elevator that holds court in the centre of the boutique hotel Arthouse Glasgow is a piece of art. The hotel itself, part of the Abode chain, is beautifully decorated, comfortable and friendly.

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2. In nonstick frying pan, heat oil over medium-high heat; cook garlic 30 seconds. Add tomatoes, green onions, salt and pepper; cook, stirring, until tomatoes are heated through but not falling apart, about 2 minutes. Add drained pasta and 1/2 cup (125 ml) reserved cooking water; stir until pasta is lightly coated with sauce, adding more cooking water if necessary, one tablespoon at a time. Sprinkle bocconcini balls and half of Parmigiano over pasta, shaking pan so cheese settles into pasta. Cook 2 mins.

3. Transfer to platter. Top with basil and remaining Parmigiano. Serve. **PRESIDENT'S CHOICE**

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- 1/4 tsp (1 ml) each salt and freshly ground black pepper
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Bask in digital dreams or relish the real world?

Where is my mind? A digital media maven takes on the tough balancing act between technology and true life

YLVA VAN BUUREN
Metro World News

The trailer for Ramona Pringle's Avatar Secrets is being launched Thursday during a keynote talk by the producer and director at Social Media Week in Toronto. CONTRIBUTED

"It's like we're living in the science fiction future right now, and the real stories are more incredible than fiction."

Producer/director Ramona Pringle, 31, took her words to heart when she created Avatar Secrets, an exciting 10-part interactive documentary project that is being developed as an iPad-based app.

Avatar Secrets is set in both the real world and the virtual world and is a combination of Pringle's real-life memoir, a graphic e-novel, and a documentary.

The premise of Avatar Secrets: If we dig a little deeper into the allure of video games and technology maybe we will uncover some of what we're missing in the real world.

Avatar Secrets is a bold project and certainly one of the reasons why Pringle was recently named one of Playback's 10 2 Watch in the new age.

Pringle has worked as an actor and was in movies including Shoot 'Em Up and Cinderella Man. She has a master's degree in interactive telecommunications from New York University and today teaches interactive storytelling at Ryerson University. She has worked as a multi-platform producer for CBC, TVO, CTV and PBS.

Her other major project at this time is rdigitallife.com, an online hub that explores what it means to be human in today's digital world.

Here are Pringle's tips for living in the digital world:

The big draw of all our technologies is each other, so focus on the person, not the technology

Choose when and how to connect with people. For a heart-to-heart, nothing beats face-to-face; for conversing with an overseas relative, Skype may be best; for making plans with a friend, IM.

Engage fully whether you're online or offline

We are living in what I call the "hybrid reality" — constantly straddling the "real" world and the "digital" world. The challenge is to make sure that being in both worlds doesn't mean that we don't fully engage in either. Choose where you want to focus your attention — whether you're looking into a screen or someone else's eyes.

Empower yourself — don't let gadgets and apps control you

We have this reflex of checking messages when lights flash or there's a ping. Technology is here to stay but we can choose how, when, and where we engage instead of letting the machines make the decisions for us.

A digital drug?

"We're not addicted to technology, we're addicted to each other."

- View the trailer for Ramona Pringle's interactive iPad documentary Avatar Secrets at metronews.ca/avatar — and keep an eye out for more from Pringle on Metro soon.

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Networking know-how. It ain't easy putting yourself out there, but if you work it right, a simple chat could lead to a new job

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Networking has the ability to make people cringe. Just walking up to someone and starting a conversation can be blush-inducing for many, and might even seem completely unnecessary. Why not save yourself the embarrassment and just find them online and send them an email?

It's almost impossible to place enough emphasis on how important human contact is when it comes to job-hunting. The great part about recruitment events is that the networking opportunities don't need to be so daunting.

The one golden rule to networking at a recruitment event is to remember this fact:

Every single recruiter at any recruitment event is there because they want to talk to you; maybe even hire you! Sounds a bit like a no-brainer, right?

Wrong. You'd be surprised by how many people might choose to avoid a recruitment event because they are concerned about networking.

Just keep the following tips in mind.

Ask questions about the company and the representative

The best way to make a great impression is to ask them questions about themselves. This can definitely apply to a recruiting event, too. After you've introduced yourself to the campus recruiter, ask them:

• What brought them to work for this company?

• If they did post-secondary education, what kind did they do and what did they specialize in?

Don't forget to swap info

Trade their business card for your business card, a resumé and a cover letter.

- This is a great way to end a conversation that you think went well, and if you followed the tips in this article then they will certainly remember you and will therefore need a way to get in touch with you later.
- Following up after a promising conversation is an obvious way to get out in front of the crowd. Doing so might just get you on the path to a career.

• What's their favourite part about their job?

• Which company office are they from?

Don't forget to ask some key questions about the company:

• What kind of students are they looking to attract at this recruitment event?

• What do their available positions entail?

• How long does the application process take (so you know when to start applying)?

Let them know what you like about their booth

Employers love feedback about this kind of stuff as it lets them know what parts of their recruitment strategy are catching the eyes of people like you. Try to say something a little more engaged than just commenting on the free stuff, even if that is the reason you like their booth. Commenting on this shows that you're engaged and perceptive. Being able to communicate your opinion will show the recruiter you aren't afraid to share your thoughts.

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Mitchell gaining the trust of Whitecaps coach

Ask members of the Vancouver Whitecaps, and they'll point out the raw physical tools Carlyle Mitchell possesses.

But growth in the mental part of the game was what the 26-year-old centre back needed to improve on throughout this season.

Mitchell, loaned to FC Edmonton in the NASL earlier this year, was not only recalled to Vancouver, but became a key member, as the likes of Jay DeMerit, Andy O'Brien, Johnny Leveron and Brad Rusin all fell to separate injuries.

Since Aug. 3, Mitchell has started in six of the last eight games, playing the full 90 minutes in each of those matches.

Against the Montreal Impact on Saturday, Mitchell and DeMerit not only helped shut down the league's leading scorer, Marco Di Vaio, in a crucial 3-0 Vancouver win, Mitchell almost scored in the first half, his header ringing off the crossbar.

The Whitecaps, sitting four points behind the Colorado Rapids for the fifth and final playoff spot, have produced back-to-back clean sheets.

And that's with the seemingly unlikely partnership of Mitchell and DeMerit.

Gaining the trust of head coach Martin Rennie has taken time, but Mitchell is progressing in the right direction.

"My concern in the past was just his focus for a whole game and now he seems to be doing that really well," said Rennie on Tuesday. CAM TUCKER/METRO

Santorelli 'making a case' with Canucks

NHL. BCHL alum remembers lessons and experiences from junior-hockey days

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Mike Santorelli celebrates scoring against the Coyotes at Rogers Arena on Monday night. The Burnaby native has put himself in position to earn the third-line centre job. JONATHAN HAYWARD/THE CANADIAN PRESS

Given the opportunity to play for the hometown Vancouver Canucks, Mike Santorelli hearkens back to his junior-hockey days.

You'd have to start all the way back in 2002-03, when Santorelli suited up for the Langley Hornets in the British Columbia Hockey League. His coach back then: Rick Lanz, a former Canuck himself.

Santorelli quickly established himself as a premier scoring threat in the Tier 2 junior league, with 24 goals and 52 points that first season. But it wasn't all him. He credits Lanz with giving him that chance.

"Rick took me in as a young 16-year-old and he helped me out," said Santorelli on Monday.

"He let me play as a 16-year-old and not a lot of other players get to do that."

He played one more season in the BCHL with the Vernon Vipers and head coach Mike Vandekamp. Santorelli once again flourished.

"He taught me that you need to work in this game and you can't expect things," Santorelli said of Vandekamp.

Those elements of his junior-hockey past apply to the present day.

Santorelli signed with the Canucks as an unrestricted free agent after three NHL seasons marked with highs and lows.

The Canucks gave him at least the opportunity to revive his career, although the Burnaby native — with the benefit of a 20-goal NHL season in 2010-11 — certainly didn't expect a roster spot to simply be handed to him.

Instead, Santorelli, through his strong fitness testing and play in team scrimmages and exhibition games, has become the consensus top candidate to land the third-line centre job.

"Santorelli's played well since Day 1, so he's making a pretty good case for himself," said head coach John Tortorella.

The Canucks lost to the San Jose Sharks 5-0 on Tuesday.

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There's a new face at Mitsubishi that should receive more than just a glance. The 2014 Outlander wagon has cleaned up its design act both inside and out for 2014, shedding its dated open-mouth look in the process.

In some respects, the largest vehicle in Mitsubishi's thinned-out fleet appears more like the second-gen edition that served the automaker for the 2007-'09 model years. The styling is much more contemporary, making the Outlander appear just as attractive from the rear as from the front. The 2014 edition still shares the previous Outlander's platform and basic dimensions — length, width and distance between the front and rear wheels — equating to nearly identical space for passengers and cargo as before. However the competition in this bracket is a tad roomier and it's a squeeze when accessing the optional third-row bench of the Outlander.

Regardless of seat assignment, all passengers will be treated to an improved environment. Mitsubishi has upgraded the seats, door panels and dashboard and added more cabin insulation for a quieter ride. As well, the split-folding second and available third rows have been redesigned to fold more easily. Overall, the Outlander has shed some 90 kilograms, which should be a boon to performance. The standard powerplant is a 2.4-litre four-cylinder that produces 166 horsepower and 162 pound-feet of torque. That's down slightly from before, but with the weight reduction it won't be noticed.

The four-cylinder is standard with the ES, while SE and GT S-AWC trims are fitted with a 3.0-litre V6 that delivers 224 horsepower and 215 pound-feet of torque. That's a drop of 15 horses, but it's dead even in torque. For reference, competing five and seven-passenger wagons have more output, and in some cases significantly more. The 2.4 is hitched to a continuously variable transmission that has been adjusted to more closely mimic a traditional multi-speed automatic, especially when accelerating from a stop. Meanwhile, the V6 has exclusive use of a six-speed automatic that has been updated for improved fuel economy.

Mitsubishi's "Super All-Wheel Control" (code for all-wheel drive) can be ordered with four-cylinder Outlanders, but is standard with the V6-equipped SE and GT. By mid-2014, Mitsubishi will introduce the Outlander PHEV (Plug-in Hybrid Electric Vehicle) with full-time all-wheel-drive.

With a starting price, including destination charges, of $27,700, the Outlander arrives with the usual basic kit. The SE model adds dual-zone climate control, rearview camera, push-button start and heated front seats. The GT S entices with a premium interior, audio package and bright xenon headlamps. From that point the load factor can be increased with option packages containing heated leather-covered seats, power sunroof to name a few features. Other than providing room for as many as seven people, the Outlander's strengths might not be readily apparent until you consider its attractive refresh, content improvements and the appealing price tag. It's then that Mitsubishi's flagship wagon starts to make sense.

2014 Mitsubishi Outlander

- **Type.** Four-door, front/all-wheel-drive wagon
- **Engines (hp).** 2.4-litre SOHC I4 (166); 3.0-litre SOHC V6 (224)
- **Transmissions.** Continuously variable; six-speed automatic (V6)
- **Base price (incl. destination)** $27,700

Safety

There's a host of available crash-avoiding electronic safety systems designed to keep you in your proper lane, alert you to approaching vehicles from adjacent lanes and help you maintain a safe distance from vehicles directly in front.

Fuel Economy

The four-cylinder engine rates 8.2 l/100 km in the city and 6.3 on the highway (down from 9.0/7.0). The V6 improves to 10.1/7.1 from 10.9/7.8. A driver-controlled "Eco" setting cuts some of the engine power and A/C functionality for further gains, however slight they might be.

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Autopilot. Consumer advocate Viraf Baliwalla has created the first workshop in car buying, allowing you to be one step ahead of the dealers

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Viraf Baliwalla of Automall Network wants to give consumers the edge through his car-buying workshops. AUTOMALL NETWORK

New research suggests that some car buyers will negotiate better if they get all sweaty first. This is not about potentially using body odour and/or unsightly pit stains to force car sellers to cave in early during the negotiation process.

According to the MIT researchers, it's all about how "physiological arousal" — expressed as an increased heart rate and body sweat induced by running or fast walking just before a negotiation experience — can make some people perform better when it comes to hammering out the deal.

Unfortunately it just seems to work for people who look forward to negotiation. The arousal makes them feel "revved up" for the competition. For research participants who dreaded negotiating, "arousal" had the opposite effect. Increased heart rate and sweaty palms only increased their nervousness, and they almost always reported being bummed out about their subsequent negotiation experiences.

So the folk wisdom to always go into these situations "cool as a cucumber" may have to be revisited, especially if you like to haggle. Of course, there is another big tool you can leverage to get a better deal on a car — just learn how do to it properly. One place you're not going to learn how to do it is in the dealership, when you're in the middle of negotiations, says Viraf Baliwalla, a consumer advocate and president of Automall Network, a vehicle buying agency.

"It is not the salesperson's job to educate the buyer, it is their job to try and sell you a car," says Baliwalla. He notes another reason not to lowok to your salesperson as your confidant: "The auto industry has conditioned us to buy in a certain way … a way that favours the auto industry."

He says this is not "dealer bashing," only telling consumers the reality of the marketplace, where they need to be as prepared as the person is sitting across from them at the negotiation table. To this end, he has created one of the first workshops in the country on car buying. The first one will be held this Saturday at the Kitchener-Waterloo campus of Conestoga College in Ontario (Course Code GINTO292 Car Buying — Saving You Money).

Followup workshops at Conestoga are planned for November and January, and in Toronto for the 2014 winter term. An online version of the workshop is planned to be available to all consumers across North America sometime in the New Year.

The course will cover the tips and tricks of the auto trade, the process they will experience at the dealership and some number crunching too.

As an example, he notes how consumers typically choose a zero per cent financing option over a cash purchase rebate, even though in some cases they would save thousands by getting their own car loan at their bank at the going interest rate, and grabbing that big cash incentive. It's all in the numbers. Knowledge sounds like a better tool in the long run than relying on a fast heart rate and a bit of sweat to swing the negotiation in your favour, but it's your call.

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Horoscopes

♈ Aries
March 21 - April 20
Steer clear of people you think may be talking about you behind your back. You can't stop them from gossiping but you can keep them out of your line of sight, and then they'll be out of mind as well.

♉ Taurus
April 21 - May 21
The planets are empowering you to make changes you often talk about but always seem to put off. You know it's now or never: Change now or don't change at all.

♊ Gemini
May 22 - June 21
You may find it hard to be balanced in your opinions today but make the effort because if you go to extremes, it could rebound on you. Don't be so outspoken that you give rivals a stick to beat you with.

♋ Cancer
June 22 - July 23
Don't waste time on minor matters. Jupiter in your sign is bringing all sorts of opportunities your way but you may miss them if your mind is stuck on trivia.

♌ Leo
July 24 - Aug. 23
Someone in a position of power will rebuke you for making a mistake and you must stand there and take it. It may not do your ego much good but it will remind you that even Leos have people to answer to.

♍ Virgo
Aug. 24 - Sept. 23
You give people the benefit of the doubt but there could be problems if you trust too easily today. If you are asked to give your blessing to a project, demand to know more first.

♎ Libra
Sept. 24 - Oct. 23
The reason you have not succeeded at something is because you are putting too much time and effort into it. That might sound silly but it is possible to try too hard. Give it a break then come back to it.

♏ Scorpio
Oct. 24 - Nov. 22
Good things are coming your way and you deserve them but don't start thinking it is all your own work. Others had a hand in your success and you would be wise to recognize that.

♐ Sagittarius
Nov. 23 - Dec. 21
No matter how annoying someone may be, you are advised to make an effort to be nice to them. Friendships are so important and you can never have too many. Make a friend of an enemy today.

♑ Capricorn
Dec. 22 - Jan. 20
You may have gone out of your way to explain why you have certain views on certain issues but quite clearly not everyone "gets it". Don't waste any more time on them.

♒ Aquarius
Jan. 21 - Feb. 19
A rival who does not have the guts to challenge you directly will try to undermine your position today. Be on guard and make sure people in positions of authority know why you're the one to trust.

♓ Pisces
Feb. 20 - March 20
Jupiter, planet of expansion, is on your side and you should aiming to make a name for yourself. What creative talent do you have that is much in demand? SALLY BROMPTON

Crossword: Canada Across and Down

See today's answers at metronews.ca/answers.
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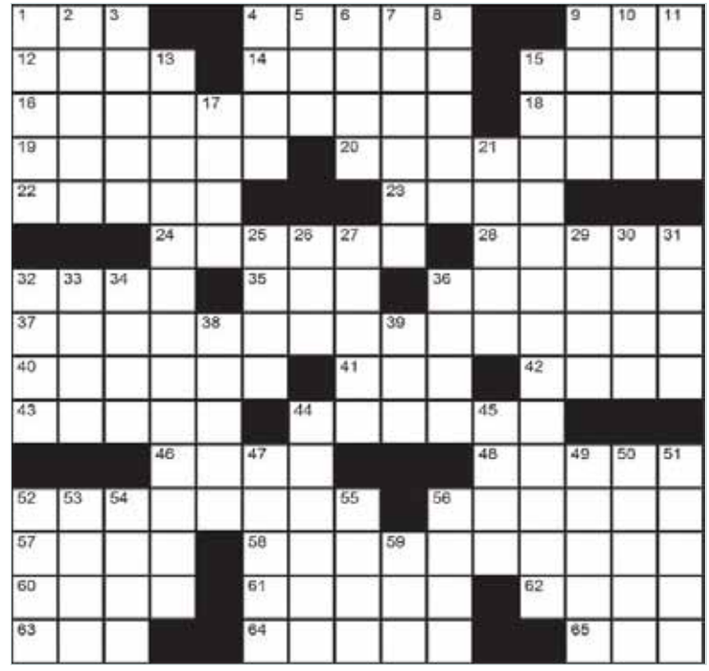

Across
1. Noise, for short
4. Minestrone, and others
9. Fancy affairs
12. Ode, for one
14. Actress Ms. Raymonde
15. American state
16. Canadian comedian hosting new trivia game show "Spin Off": 2 wds.
18. Hairstyling hues
19. BC's __ Valley
20. Canadian current events magazine
22. British explorer-in-Canada Mr. Hudson
23. Canadian figure skater Patrick
24. Nova Scotia's provincial bird
28. Particulars
32. Hail _ __ (Taxi!)
35. L'Isle-__-Coudres, Quebec
36. Pot holder
37. Make the history books by winning a race in what?: 3 wds.
40. Arctic-set silent documentary film of 1922, "__ of the North"
41. Iron's partner
42. Original matter, in Cosmology
43. Plods along
44. Aim
46. Wild cherry
48. "Pardon me..." [pl.]
52. Updated versions
56. Be inconspicuous: 2 wds.
57. Joanie's portrayer
58. Be a Member of Parliament, for instance: 2 wds.
60. PBS culinary show, "Simply __"
61. Linda of "Dynasty"
62. Marijuana puff
63. Positive response
64. French painter Edgar (b.1834 - d.1917)
65. Kitchen meas.

Down
1. Canadian rapper, __ K
2. __ prosequi (Not proceeding, in law)
3. Canadian broadcaster Mr. Soltendieck
4. Comic books legend Mr. Lee
5. Katharine Hepburn's tree
6. E pluribus __ (Out of Many, One)
7. High†seas robbery
8. Louis Armstrong nickname, Ambassador __
9. ELO hit: 2 wds.
10. Actor Mr. Wilson
11. Canadian singer Ms. Jordan
13. Twitter = __ site
15. 21st-century crime: 2 wds.
17. Mr. Romano's
21. Scottish landowner
25. City's green area
26. Ms. McClanahan
27. Former prisoner, commonly
29. Santana's "__ Ways"
30. Same: French
31. Base
32. Grass appendages
33. "__ Miner's Daughter" (1980)
34. River of Florence
36. Maple, for one
38. Amounts of medicine
39. Food fragment
44. Struck by Cupid's arrow: 2 wds.
45. Newbie
47. Sounded satisfied
49. Silas Marner author, George __
50. Razzes
51. Tidy the floor
52. Winnipeg-born singer Mr. Shand
53. Fort __, Ontario
54. Wines: French
55. Smelting waste
56. Deprivation
59. Genetic letters

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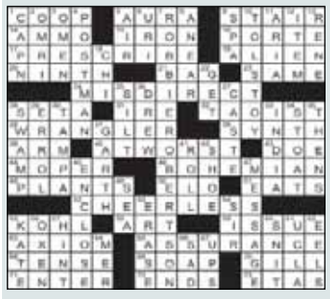

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How to play
Fill in the grid, so that every row, every column and every 3x3 box contains the digits 1-9. There is no math involved.

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4			5	7		3	1	
5		1					9	
	2	6		4				
			9		2			
				5		8	2	
	7					1		9
	1	4		2	8			6
			7				3	

Yesterday's Sudoku

6	4	5	8	9	2	1	7	3
1	7	8	6	3	4	9	2	5
2	9	3	1	7	5	8	6	4
8	3	4	7	1	9	6	5	2
9	6	2	5	4	8	3	1	7
5	1	7	3	2	6	4	8	9
7	8	1	9	5	3	2	4	6
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4	5	9	2	6	1	7	3	8

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AUTOMATIC DUAL ZONE TEMPERATURE CONTROL • AUTOMATIC HEADLIGHTS • SIRIUS XM™ RADIO WITH BLUETOOTH® HANDS FREE PHONE SYSTEM • REAR PARK ASSIST • HEATED STEERING WHEEL/FRONT/REAR SEATS

SANTA FE SPORT 2.0T 2013 CANADIAN UTILITY VEHICLE OF THE YEAR

2013 ELANTRA GT

HWY: 5.3L/100 KM
CITY: 7.6L/100 KM▼

Inventory is limited.
Dealer order may be required.

SE with Tech. shown

GET UP TO $2,350 IN PRICE ADJUSTMENTSΩ
+ 0%† FINANCING FOR 24 MONTHS

AVAILABLE FEATURES:
SIRIUS XM™ RADIO WITH BLUETOOTH® HANDS FREE PHONE SYSTEM • PANORAMIC SUNROOF • 17" ALLOY WHEELS • 7" TOUCHSCREEN NAVIGATION SYSTEM W/HIDDEN REARVIEW CAMERA • HEATED FRONT SEATS

ELANTRA GT 2013 BEST NEW SMALL CAR (OVER $21K)

5 YEAR WARRANTY
5-year/100,000 km Comprehensive Limited Warranty††
5-year/100,000 km Powertrain Warranty
5-year/100,000 km Emission Warranty

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